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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN PRE-LICENSE CHECK ON APPLICATION 050060132

REF: STATE 131312

¶1. Emboffs conducted reftel pre-license check and related site visit on October 3 regarding the export of tactical accessories to Roy Sampers in the Netherlands. The license application covered:

- 1 Larue Mount for Aimpoint Red Dot Sight System
- 1 Troy Tactical Close Quarter Battle Sling
- 1 Surefire m900a tactical light
- 1 Knights Vertical Grip
- 1 Troy Rear Folding Battle Sight

¶2. Reftel site was Samper's private residence, a modern townhouse style construction with kitchen, living room, and laundry room on the ground floor and bedrooms on the second floor. Sampers explained that the items would be stored in a safe that conformed to Dutch weapons storage requirements, and that he possessed the sole key at all times. Sampers showed Emboffs the safe -- about 5 feet high and 2 feet thick -- that was secured to the laundry room wall in accordance with Dutch law.

¶3. Sampers noted that he sought reftel items for his Bushmaster A3, also stored in his weapons safe. The A3 is the semi automatic version of the AR-15, he added, as the fully automatic version is not allowed in the Netherlands. To meet his Dutch weapons license requirements, he is required to shoot at least 18 times a year. In practice, he has shot up to 26 times annually at International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC) events in Germany, he explained. Sampers also said he practiced shooting to maintain his skills as a member of the Dutch reserves.

¶4. Sampers said he was no longer interested in purchasing an Aimpoint Comp M3 and denied receiving one. He said it was too expensive and he did not need infrared requirements beyond 25 yards. Instead, he said he met his IPSC requirements using an "imitation laser" from Tokyo originally designed for BB guns. He showed Emboffs his A3 with the laser -- resembling a telescope viewfinder -- mounted to the side, and the original packaging bearing the serial number LXGD JG-8A. The packaging lacked any manufacturer or model information.

¶5. Sampers said he was the final end user and that he fully understood the requirements of the State Nontransfer and Use Certificate he signed on April 10.

¶6. Post RSO conducted a background investigation with local police and found no derogatory information on Sampers. Emboff interactions with Sampers were cordial and professional.

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